

**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Tatsuya SATO

Group Art Unit: 2854

Application No.: 10/724,185

Examiner: C. Nolan Jr.

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Docket No.: 117902

For: EDGE-DETECTING DEVICE AND IMAGE-FORMING DEVICE PROVIDED WITH THE  
SAME

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> EXTENSION  
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND  
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired February 2, 2005, an extension of time for a period of 3 months is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 166213 in the amount of \$1,020 in payment for:

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